

**CITY COUNCIL
BUSINESS MEETING MINUTES
May 21, 2013**

The Business Meeting of the Monroe City Council was held on May 21, 2013, in the Council Chambers at City Hall. Mayor Robert Zimmerman called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m.

Councilpersons present: Goering, Cudaback, Kamp, Davis, and Hanford.

Councilpersons absent: Williams and Gamble; it was noted that they were both out of town.

Staff present: Brazel, Warthan, Nelson, Farrell, Sax, Popelka, and Martinson.

Student Representative Harano was present.

City Attorney Zach Lell was also present.

The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

ANNOUNCEMENTS & PRESENTATIONS

1. Proclamation: 9th Annual Traditional Pow Wow

Mayor Zimmerman introduced Mars Miller, Family Liaison (Family Coordinator for the Indian Education Program), who explained about their school program and Annual Traditional Pow Wow and invited all to attend. Students/dancers addressed Council and handed out flyers.

Mayor Zimmerman read the proclamation calling upon all citizens of Monroe to support the 9th Annual Traditional Pow Wow on May 25, 2013.

COMMENTS FROM CITIZENS

Janet Pritchard, Municipal Manager, introduced Wes Smith, Operations Manager, and Jeremiah Jones, Operations Supervisor (and resident from Monroe) from Republic Services. She apologized for and explained why there was a one-day interruption in services. Republic had offered to give the City a discount for the Spring Clean-up because of the service interruption.

CONSENT AGENDA

Mayor Zimmerman asked that item #2A be pulled from the Consent Agenda. After determining that Council would need to appoint a Mayor Pro-tem for approval of item #2A in Councilmember Williams' absence, the motion was made by Councilperson Goering and seconded by Councilperson Cudaback, to appoint Councilmember Kamp as Interim Mayor Pro-Tem for Item 2A. On vote,

Motion carried 5/0.

1. Minutes

A. May 7, 2013 Business Meeting

B. May 14, 2013 Study Session

2. Accounts Payable & Payroll

~~**A. Bills: Checks # 83732-83786, in the amount of \$619,112.66.**~~ (See below)

B. Payroll: Checks #32620 – 32679, in the amount of \$903,888.05.

3. Ordinance Extending Marijuana Related Land Use Interim Regulations/2nd & Final Reading

The motion was made by Councilperson Kamp and seconded by Councilperson Cudaback, to approve the Consent Agenda, except Item #2A. On vote,

Motion carried 5/0.

Under an abundance of caution, Mayor Zimmerman recused himself and departed Council Chambers at 7:12 p.m.

ITEM(S) PULLED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA

2. Accounts Payable & Payroll

A. Bills: Checks # 83732–83786, in the amount of \$619,112.66.

The motion was made by Councilperson Davis and seconded by Councilperson Hanford, to approve Consent Agenda item #2A. On vote,

Motion carried 5/0.

Mayor Zimmerman returned to Council Chambers at 7:13 p.m.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Resolution Authorizing City Staff to Work Cooperatively With Monroe School District and Everett Community College on Projects of Mutual Interest and Procurement of Goods & Services

City Administrator Brazel gave a brief overview explaining that they had begun discussions with the Monroe School District and Everett Community College regarding joint projects and procurement of goods and services. The proposed resolution outlines some of the areas where they can work cooperatively to reach goals for the betterment of the community.

After comments, the motion was made by Councilperson Goering and seconded by Councilperson Hanford, to approve Resolution #2013/018 authorizing City staff to work cooperatively with Monroe School District and Everett Community College on projects of mutual interest and procurement of goods and services. On vote,

Motion carried 5/0.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

1. Executive Session: Pertaining to Potential Litigation

Mayor Zimmerman explained that there was a need to go into an executive session for the purpose of discussing potential litigation with legal counsel pursuant to RCW 42.30.110 1(i), as stated for the record by City Attorney Lell. The executive

session will last approximately 10 minutes, after which Council will take action in open session.

MEETING RECESSED INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION: 7:20 p.m.
MEETING RECONVENED INTO REGULAR SESSION: 7:33 p.m.

No action was taken by Council at this time.

FINAL ACTION

1. Resolution/Council Support to Expand the Urban Growth Area

Economic Development Manager Sax gave a brief update explaining that the City has expressed interest in expanding the Urban Growth Area (UGA) southwest of the city on both east and west of SR 522, the RUTA area (Rural Urban Transition Area). He explained the process needed to submit this item for the County's Comprehensive Plan docket.

After discussion, the motion was made by Councilperson Goering and seconded by Councilperson Hanford, to adopt Resolution #2013/017 supporting adding the proposed Urban Growth Area expansion to the 2013 Comprehensive Plan Docket and directing staff to transmit a copy of the Resolution to the Snohomish County Council for inclusion in their legislative process regarding the 2015 County Comprehensive Plan Update and the 2015 County Docket action. On vote,

Motion carried 5/0.

COUNCILMEMBER REPORTS

No Councilmember reports were made.

MAYOR/ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF REPORTS

Parks & Recreation Director Farrell reported that there would be a Triple Crown Tournament over Memorial Weekend.

Finance Director Nelson reported that sales tax revenue was better in the first four months of the year than anticipated and felt that it was a good sign of things changing.

Mayor Zimmerman commented that this good news is a result of the good work done over the last three years.

At the Mayor's request, the City Attorney explained the Court of Appeal's decision on the Walmart case, in favor of the City. Legal nuances of the case would be discussed in executive session.

Mayor Zimmerman shared a citizen's comment that his attitude against Walmart had changed after seeing the positive changes Walmart made on the old K-Mart property in Bellevue.

1. Draft Agenda/June 4, 2013 Business Meeting

City Administrator Brazel presented the draft agenda for June 4, 2013.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

2. Executive Session: Pertaining to Potential Litigation

Mayor Zimmerman explained that there was a need to go into another executive session for the purpose of discussing pending litigation with legal counsel pursuant to RCW 42.30.110 1(i), as stated for the record by City Attorney Lell. The executive session will last approximately 20 minutes, after which Council is not anticipated to take action in open session, except to close the meeting.

MEETING RECESSED INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION: 7:46 p.m.

EXECUTIVE SESSION WAS EXTENDED

MEETING RECONVENED INTO REGULAR SESSION: 8:18 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the motion was made by Councilperson Hanford and seconded by Councilperson Kamp to adjourn the meeting. On vote,

Motion carried 5/0.

MEETING ADJOURNED: 8:19 p.m.


Robert G. Zimmerman, Mayor


Eadye Martinson, Deputy City Clerk